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SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, thank you. Then I don't need to question you now, because I understand your...your hypersensitivity on this issue. There is a pride of authorship, and that I can understand. But I do not think the Governor should write something which is not true. When we say in the emergency clause, since an emergency exists this act takes effect when passed and approved according to law. Effect means that everything that needs to be done is done, it is law. The passage of this bill does not constitute withdrawal. All it is is a step, that's all. This bill does not result in the withdrawal. If it did, then that talk of the five years would have no meaning. You give notice. When an employee is going to terminate his or her employment and is required to give notice, the giving of the notice is a precedent, a conditioned precedent to something else occurring. It does not result in that thing which is to occur. When the employer has to give me two weeks notice, the employer can't say, Ernie, this is May 6th, I'm giving you two weeks notice, you're fired, and I have to leave then. Notice means you're given information, you're given to know what is to happen down the line. And at the expiration of the two weeks you no longer work here. To say...and then I'm going to let it go, to have the Governor say that the withdrawal of the state of Nebraska from the compact is effective, the governors in the other states will say, well, they probably were as thoughtful in deciding to withdraw as the Governor is in telling us that his notifying us means that the withdrawal is effective. They can think they're out of it, if they want to, but they're not. The only thing that they've done is to give notice.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That's my belief. You all disagree. Quibbler number one, who crafted the language, disagrees with quibbler number two, who disagrees with the language, and now the remainder of my colleagues, of our colleagues, the colleagues of quibbler number one and quibbler number two. But, in the same way that they use the letters and the number Y2K, we'll just call us Q1 and Q2. (Laughter.) You all probably will feel comfortable with the language, because you say, so